

Dear Senator Cohen, Representative Goupil, Distinguished Members of the Judiciary Committee,

I strongly urge you to oppose **H.B. 6355**. This bill disregards due process, putting the burden of proof of innocence on the accused. This bill has a high likelihood of being misused by requiring only one law enforcement officer instead of two, to petition for a warrant to remove firearms.

I'm aligned with the spirit of the legislation in keeping firearms from those that are unfit to have them but in this case there isn't enough specificity to avoid misuse making it too easy for those of us that are fit to have firearms to lose those arms and endure unfair financial hardship to get them back.

We are fortunate to live in a country that views a person as innocent until proven guilty but I'm afraid this bill flips that on end. To that end I am writing to implore you to create better legislation that achieves the spirit noted above AND preserves the view that we are innocent until proven guilty.

Finally, I hope that you will also support **H.B. 6491** AN ACT CONCERNING NONLETHAL ELECTRONIC DEFENSE WEAPONS to allow Connecticut residents more options in self-defense.

Best regards,
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